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SUPREME COURT OF THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL **TERRITORY Practice Directions**

Practice Direction No 2 of 1994 Further Amended 12 September 1995

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- 1. This Practice Direction applies to persons admitted to practise in the Australian Capital Territory, or entitled to practise in the ACT under the Mutual *Recognition Act*, and who practise solely as barristers.
- 2. In view of the moratorium placed by the Australian Capital Territory Executive upon the further appointment of Queen's Counsel, the Judges have decided that barristers who have been appointed Queen's Counsel for the Commonwealth or for a State or for another Territory should be accorded recognition similar to that accorded to Queen's Counsel for the Australian Capital Territory.
- Queen's Counsel from outside the Territory may continue to robe as previously 3. and may use within the Territory the title of Queen's Counsel. However, the title "Queen's Counsel for the Territory" may be used only by persons appointed to that office.
- Queen's Counsel from outside the Territory who wish to be accorded the 4. recognition proposed should observe the courtesy of notifying the Court by writing to the Registrar informing the Registrar of the fact and date of the appointment relied upon and asking that the records of the Court be noted accordingly.
- Barristers appointed Senior Counsel in the Australian Territory, New South 5. Wales or in Queensland will be accorded similar recognition upon similar notification. Similar schemes for the appointment of Senior Counsel will be considered as the occasion arises.
- Precedence of practitioners will continue to be governed by the Legal 6. Practitioners Act 1971. However, where a party is represented by more than one barrister, appearances may be announced in whatever order those appearing think fit

By direction of the Judges.